UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.,)	
Plaintiff,)	G: '1 A .:' N. 05 220 (EGY)
V.)	Civil Action No. 05-338 (ESH)
)	
ANTHONY A. WILLIAMS,)	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	

NOTICE BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OF POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION

This lawsuit challenges recent legislation by the District of Columbia concerning the transportation of hazardous materials within the District of Columbia. Because the lawsuit implicates issues in which the United States may be interested, the United States is considering whether to exercise its right file a Statement of Interest pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 517 (authorizing the Department of Justice, *inter alia*, to "attend to the interests of the United States in a suit pending in a court of the United States"). Any participation by the United States must be approved by senior federal officials, who are actively considering the matter.

The United States wishes to respectfully notify the Court that in the event that it decides to file a Statement of Interest, it intends to do so by Thursday, February 24, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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